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PETER PARKER, THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN

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BETWEEN THE COBRA AND THE COPS... SPIDEY'S GOT MORE TROUBLE THAN HE CAN HANDLE!

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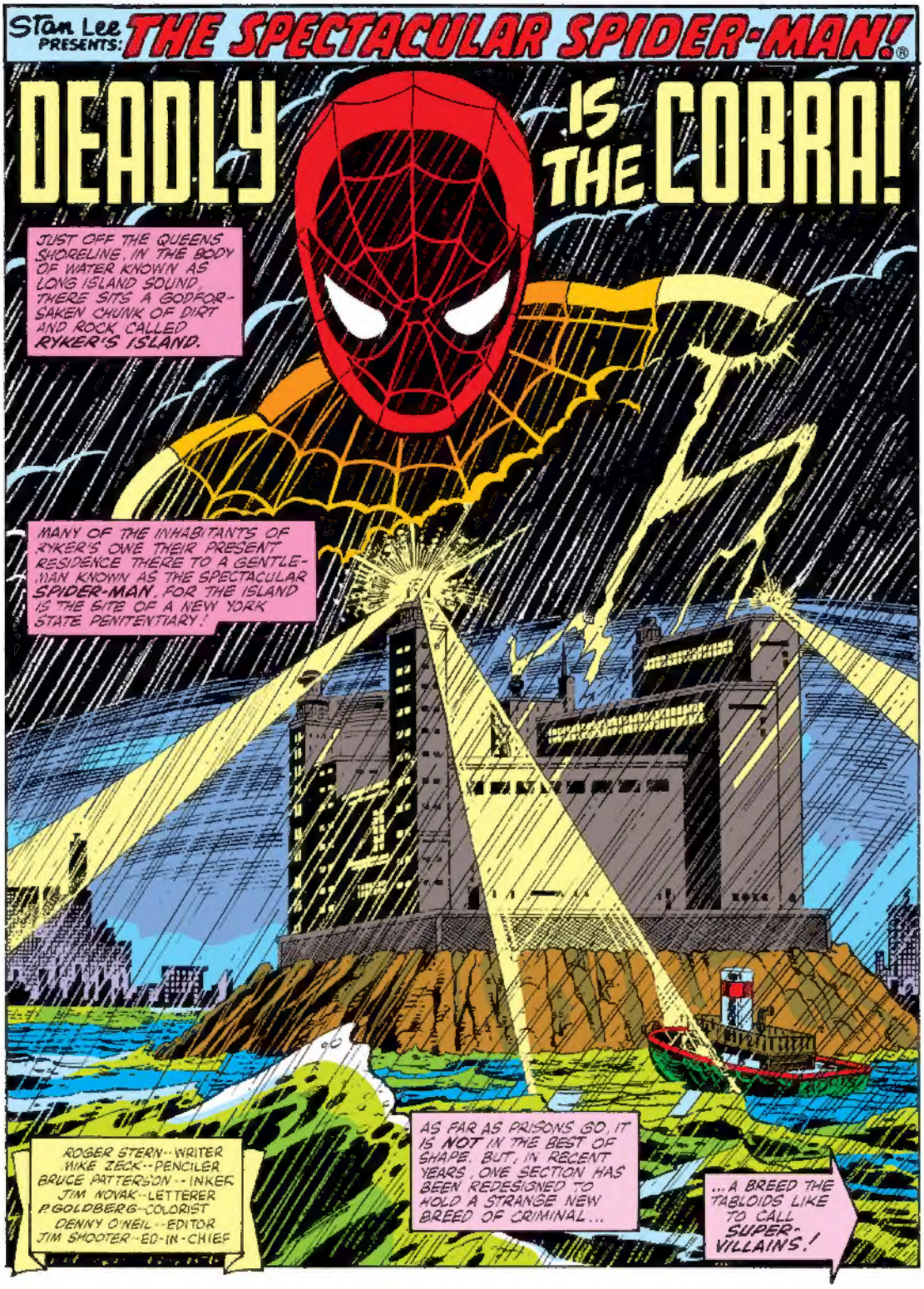
Stan Lee PRESENTS: THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN!®
DEADLY IS THE COBRA!
JUST OFF THE QUEENS SHORELINE, IN THE BODY OF WATER KNOWN AS LONG ISLAND SOUND THERE SITS A GODFORSAKEN CHUNK OF DIRT AND ROCK CALLED RYKER'S ISLAND.
MANY OF THE INHABITANTS OF RYKER'S OWE THEIR PRESENT RESIDENCE THERE TO A GENTLEMAN KNOWN AS THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN, FOR THE ISLAND IS THE SITE OF A NEW YORK STATE PENITENTIARY!
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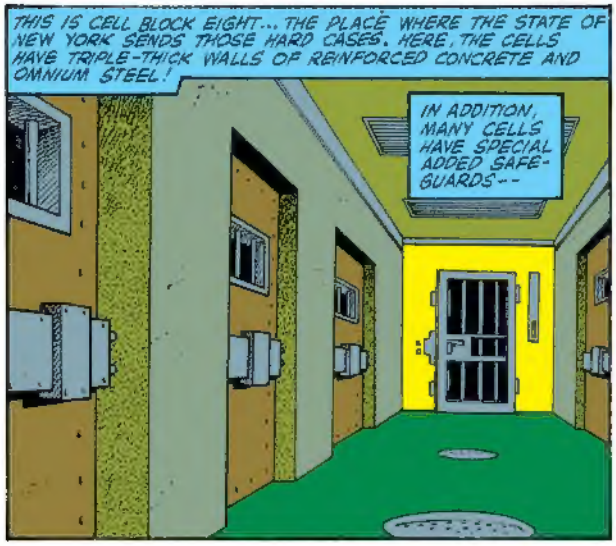
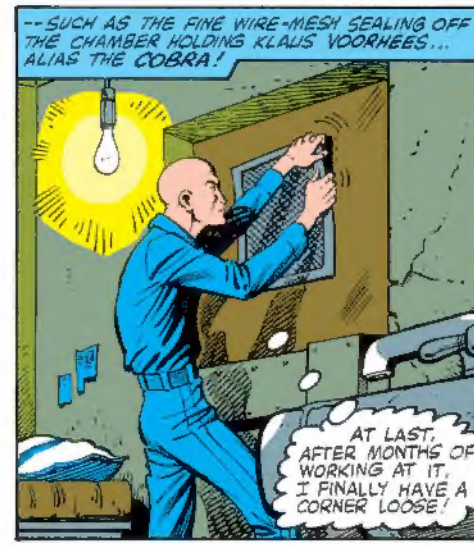
AS FAR AS PRISONS GO, IT IS NOT IN THE BEST OF SHAPE. BUT, IN RECENT YEARS, ONE SECTION HAS BEEN REDESIGNED TO HOLD A STRANGE NEW BREED OF CRIMINAL...
...A BREED THE TABLOIDS LIKE TO CALL SUPER-VILLAINS!


THIS IS CELL BLOCK EIGHT... THE PLACE WHERE THE STATE OF NEW YORK SENDS THOSE HARD CASES. HERE, THE CELLS HAVE TRIPLE-THICK WALLS OF REINFORCED CONCRETE AND OMNIUM STEEL!
IN ADDITION, MANY CELLS HAVE SPECIAL ADDED SAFE-GUARDS--


--SUCH AS THE FINE WIRE-MESH SEALING OFF THE CHAMBER HOLDING KLAUS VOORHEES... ALIAS THE COBRA!
AT LAST, AFTER MONTHS OF WORKING AT IT, I FINALLY HAVE A CORNER LOOSE!

I'VE RUBBED MY FINGERS RAW AT TIMES, TRYING TO GET A HAND-HOLD, BUT IT'S FINALLY PAID OFF!
NOW ALL I NEED DO IS PRY BACK THE CORNER JUST A BIT!

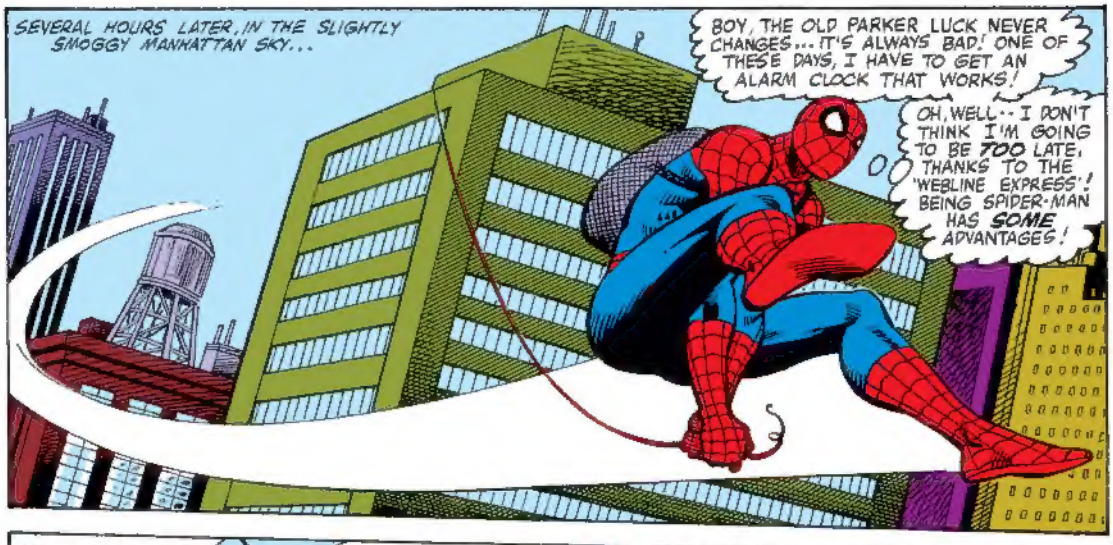
THAT ALLOWS THE COBRA MORE THAN ENOUGH ROOM TO SLITHER FREE!
NOW I MUST WORK FAST, BEFORE MY ESCAPE IS DISCOVERED!

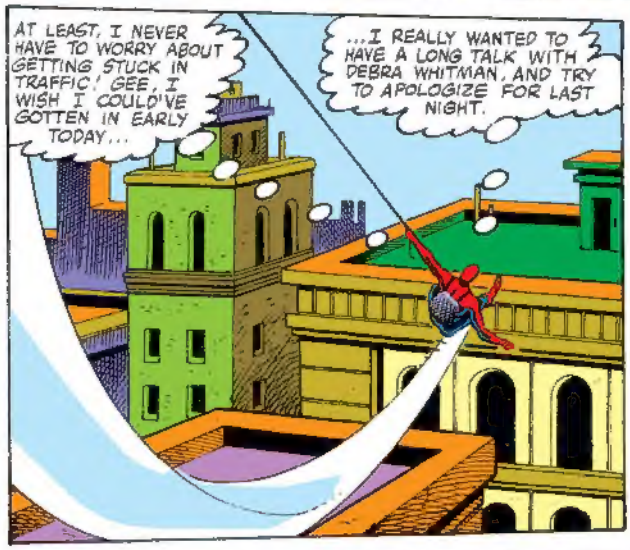
C-C-COBRA!
EH?
UP HERE! IT'S ME... MR. HYDE. H-HURRY... GET ME LOOSE!
AND BLOW MY OWN ESCAPE CHANCES? DON'T BE ABSURD!

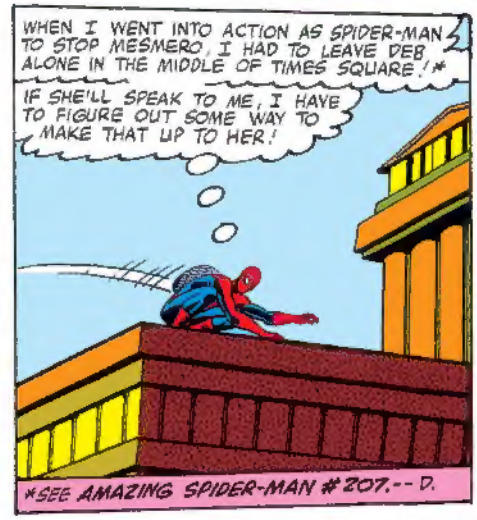
WHAT?
EVERYTIME I'VE TEAMED WITH YOU, WE'VE BOTH HAD OUR HEADS HANDED TO US! WELL, NEVER AGAIN!
YOU MAY CONSIDER OUR PARTNER-SHIP DISSOLVED, HYDE!

B-BUT YOU MUST HELP ME! THEY KEEP ME SEDATED SO I CAN'T BREAK OUT ON MY OWN!
TOO BAD, HYDE... TOO BAD!

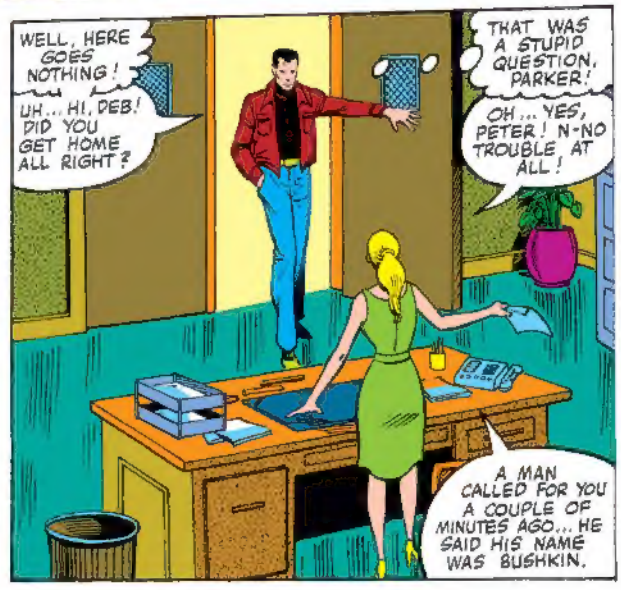
COBRA... PLEASE!
BUT HYDE'S EX-PARTNER IS ALREADY ON HIS WAY--
--SLITHERING OUT VIA A DRAIN TOO SMALL FOR ANY NORMAL MAN TO FIT THROUGH!


SEVERAL HOURS LATER, IN THE SLIGHTLY SMOGGY MANHATTAN SKY...
BOY, THE OLD PARKER LUCK NEVER CHANGES... IT'S ALWAYS BAD! ONE OF THESE DAYS, I HAVE TO GET AN ALARM CLOCK THAT WORKS!
OH, WELL-- I DON'T THINK I'M GOING TO BE TOO LATE, THANKS TO THE 'WEBLINE EXPRESS'! BEING SPIDER-MAN HAS SOME ADVANTAGES!


AT LEAST, I NEVER HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT GETTING STUCK IN TRAFFIC! GEE, I WISH I COULD'VE GOTTEN IN EARLY TODAY...
...I REALLY WANTED TO HAVE A LONG TALK WITH DEBRA WHITMAN, AND TRY TO APOLOGIZE FOR LAST NIGHT.


WHEN I WENT INTO ACTION AS SPIDER-MAN TO STOP MESMERO, I HAD TO LEAVE DEB ALONE IN THE MIDDLE OF TIMES SQUARE!*
IF SHE'LL SPEAK TO ME, I HAVE TO FIGURE OUT SOME WAY TO MAKE THAT UP TO HER!
*SEE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #207.-- D.

ONE QUICK CHANGE LATER...
HMM... I THINK I'M ONLY ABOUT TEN MINUTES LATE! MAYBE THERE'S TIME FOR A LITTLE SMALL TALK, AFTER ALL!


WELL, HERE GOES NOTHING!
UH... HI, DEB! DID YOU GET HOME ALL RIGHT?
THAT WAS A STUPID QUESTION, PARKER!
OH... YES, PETER! N-NO TROUBLE AT ALL!
A MAN CALLED FOR YOU A COUPLE OF MINUTES AGO... HE SAID HIS NAME WAS BUSHKIN.

BUSHKIN?! OH, FINE--IF THERE WAS ONE PERSON I DIDN'T WANT TO TALK TO--!
DEB... I'M AWFULLY SORRY ABOUT LEAVING YOU STRANDED LIKE I DID... BELIEVE ME, I DIDN'T WANT TO... CAN I MAKE IT UP TO YOU... SOMEHOW?
W-WELL, WE NEVER DID HAVE DINNER--!
DINNER IT IS, THEN! TOMORROW NIGHT AT WESNER'S PUB--OKAY?
THAT WOULD BE LOVELY, PETER!

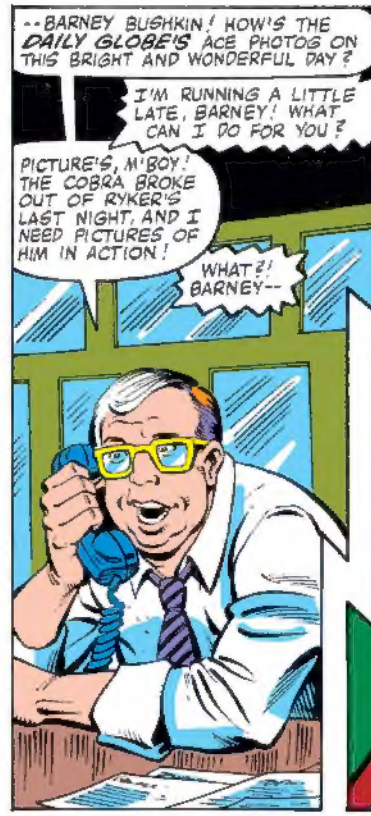
BOY, SHE'S SO NICE IT HURTS! I...HUH?!
LOOK OUT, HERE COMES THE SO-O-O-UL TRAIN! CHUGGA-DA-CHUGGA-DA-WOOO!
YOU'VE RUINED ME, HOPKINS! I WAS A GOOD, CLEAN-LIVING LAD... AND YOU'VE TURNED ME INTO A PUSHER!
HEY, I'M S'POSED TO BE THE MAN WITH THE BAD JOKES!

BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, PHIL... AS THE PUSHEE, I TAKE ALL THE RISKS! HA-HA!
I'M ALMOST AFRAID TO FIND OUT WHAT THOSE TWO ARE UP TO... BUT I'M MORE AFRAID NOT TO!
PHIL? STEVE? WHAT'RE YOU DOING?

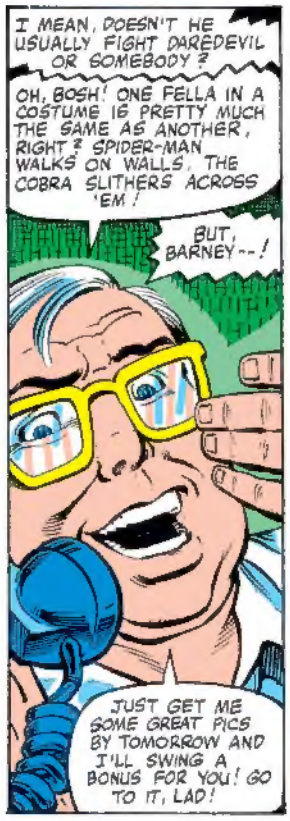
SIMPLE, PETE--WE'RE BREAKING UP YOUR HAPPY HOME!
YEAH, WHAT WITH CHIP MARTIN GONE FROM OUR MIDST,* I FIGURED IT WAS STUPID FOR YOU AN' ME TO SHARE A CUBICLE, WHEN HIS WAS EMPTY!
YOU MEAN I HAVE OUR CUBICLE ALL TO MYSELF?
THAT'S RIGHT! ALL GOD'S TEACHING ASSISTANT'S GOT CUBICLES NOW!
*SEE ISSUE #39--D.

AND SINCE--AHEM!--I WAS ON TIME THIS MORNING, I GOT THE PICK OF THE POSITIONS! SO GET TO THE BACK OF THE ROOM, M'MAN! YOU HAVE IMMEDIATE SEATING--
--RIGHT ACROSS THE AISLE FROM THE EVER-ICY MIZZ MARCY KANE!
GOLLY, MR. HOPKINS--WHY ARE YOU SO GOOD TO ME?
I HAVE TO ADMIT, THOUGH, IT'LL BE NICE TO HAVE MORE ROOM. SAY--DOES THIS MEAN I'LL BE ABLE TO SIT DOWN WITHOUT FINDING A WHOOPEE CUSHION ON MY SEAT, OR A SIGN ON MY BACK?
BRRNNGG
NOW, PETER! I KNOW YOU DON'T WANT ME TO MAKE ANY PROMISES I CAN'T KEEP! HEY, YOUR PHONE'S RINGING!

OH, BROTHER-- I BET I KNOW WHO THAT IS!
HOW ABOUT THAT-- MY DESK IS STILL INTACT! YOU DO GOOD WORK, MR. CHANG! YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN A MOVING MAN!
HEY, THERE'RE SOME LADIES I KNOW WHO ALREADY CLAIM I'M QUITE A MOVER!
UH-HUH! I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT IT... OKAY?
HELLO, PETER? THIS IS--

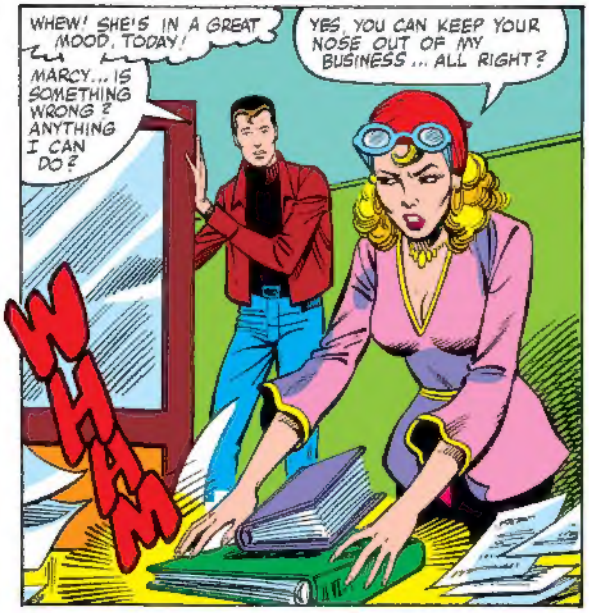

--BARNEY BUSHKIN! HOW'S THE DAILY GLOBE'S ACE PHOTOG ON THIS BRIGHT AND WONDERFUL DAY?
I'M RUNNING A LITTLE LATE, BARNEY! WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?
PICTURE'S, M'BOY! THE COBRA BROKE OUT OF RYKER'S LAST NIGHT, AND I NEED PICTURES OF HIM IN ACTION!
WHAT?! BARNEY--

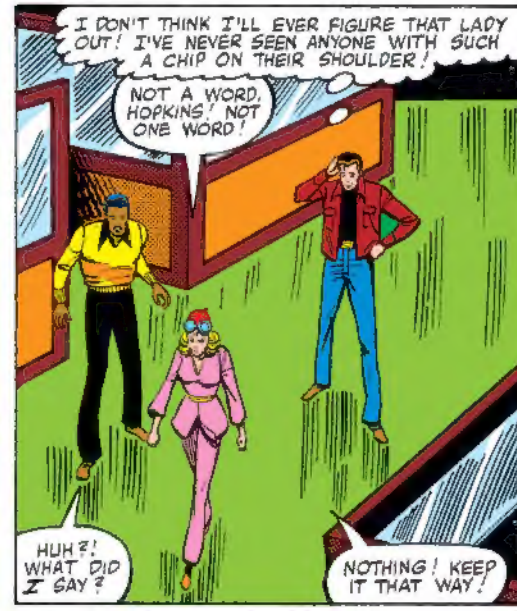
--HOW THE BLAZES AM I SUPPOSED TO FIND THE COBRA? CALL INFORMATION AND ASK FOR HIS ADDRESS?
PETER, YOU UNDER-ESTIMATE YOURSELF-- YOU'LL THINK OF SOMETHING! YOU'RE ALWAYS GETTING GREAT ACTION SHOTS OF SPIDER-MAN, AREN'T YOU?
SURE, BUT WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH THE COBRA?


I MEAN, DOESN'T HE USUALLY FIGHT DAREDEVIL OR SOMEBODY?
OH, BOSH! ONE FELLA IN A COSTUME IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME AS ANOTHER, RIGHT? SPIDER-MAN WALKS ON WALLS, THE COBRA SLITHERS ACROSS 'EM!
BUT, BARNEY--!
JUST GET ME SOME GREAT PICS BY TOMORROW AND I'LL SWING A BONUS FOR YOU! GO TO IT, LAD!

IN HIS OWN WAY, BUSHKIN IS A BIGGER PAIN THAN JONAH JAMESON EVER WAS! I ALWAYS KNEW WHAT TO EXPECT FROM JONAH, BUT BUSHKIN KEEPS THROWING ME ONE CURVE AFTER ANOTHER!
I WISH HE DIDN'T PAY ME SO WELL... THE GLOBE CAN BE SUCH A SLEAZY RAG AT TIMES! HEH! AND BARNEY FITS RIGHT IN!
STILL, THAT BONUS SOUNDS REAL GOOD! WITH THAT--

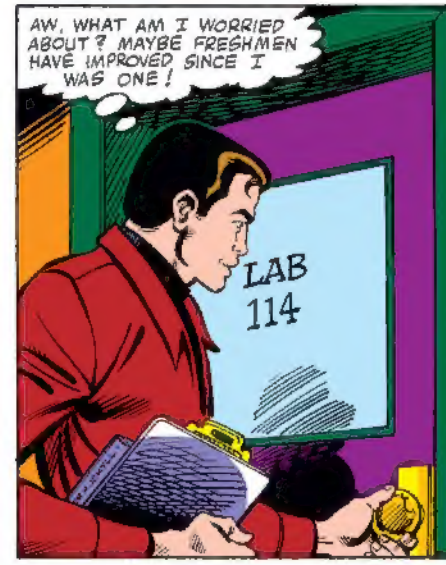
--I COULD REALLY SHOW DEB A GOOD TIME, AND -- EH?
MARCY? DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE JUST GETTING HERE?!
I AM. I HAD A DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT.
WHAT'S WITH THE SCARF?
SHUT UP, PARKER-- JUST SHUT UP!


WHEW! SHE'S IN A GREAT MOOD, TODAY!
MARCY... IS SOMETHING WRONG? ANYTHING I CAN DO?
YES, YOU CAN KEEP YOUR NOSE OUT OF MY BUSINESS... ALL RIGHT?
WHAM


I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER FIGURE THAT LADY OUT! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE WITH SUCH A CHIP ON THEIR SHOULDER!
NOT A WORD, HOPKINS! NOT ONE WORD!
HUH?! WHAT DID I SAY?
NOTHING! KEEP IT THAT WAY!

WHAT'S GOT INTO THE ICE QUEEN? AND WHAT'S WITH THE SCARF? SHE IN TRAINING TO BE A GYPSY OR SOMETHING?
BEATS ME, STEVE -- YOU KNOW THE LADY BETTER THAN I DO!
PETE, NOBODY KNOWS MARCY KANE!
YEAH, I GUESS NOT. OH, WELL, WHAT'S ON TODAY'S AGENDA?
IT'S YOUR LUCKY DAY, PETE! YOUR NAME CAME UP IN ROTATION TO PRESIDE OVER ALL THE FRESHMAN CHEM LABS!
FRESHMAN CHEM LABS?! GIVE ME A BREAK! ISN'T THERE SOMETHING SIMPLER I COULD DO... LIKE SAY, TEACH HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT TO DOLPHINS?

THERE, THERE, STOUT FELLOW! WE KNOW YOU CAN DO IT! BESIDES, BETTER YOU THAN US!
SO LONG, PETE, IT WAS NICE KNOWING YOU! WE'LL TELL YOUR NEXT-OF-KIN THAT YOU WENT OUT WITH A SMILE!
JOLLY JOKERS!


AW, WHAT AM I WORRIED ABOUT? MAYBE FRESHMEN HAVE IMPROVED SINCE I WAS ONE!
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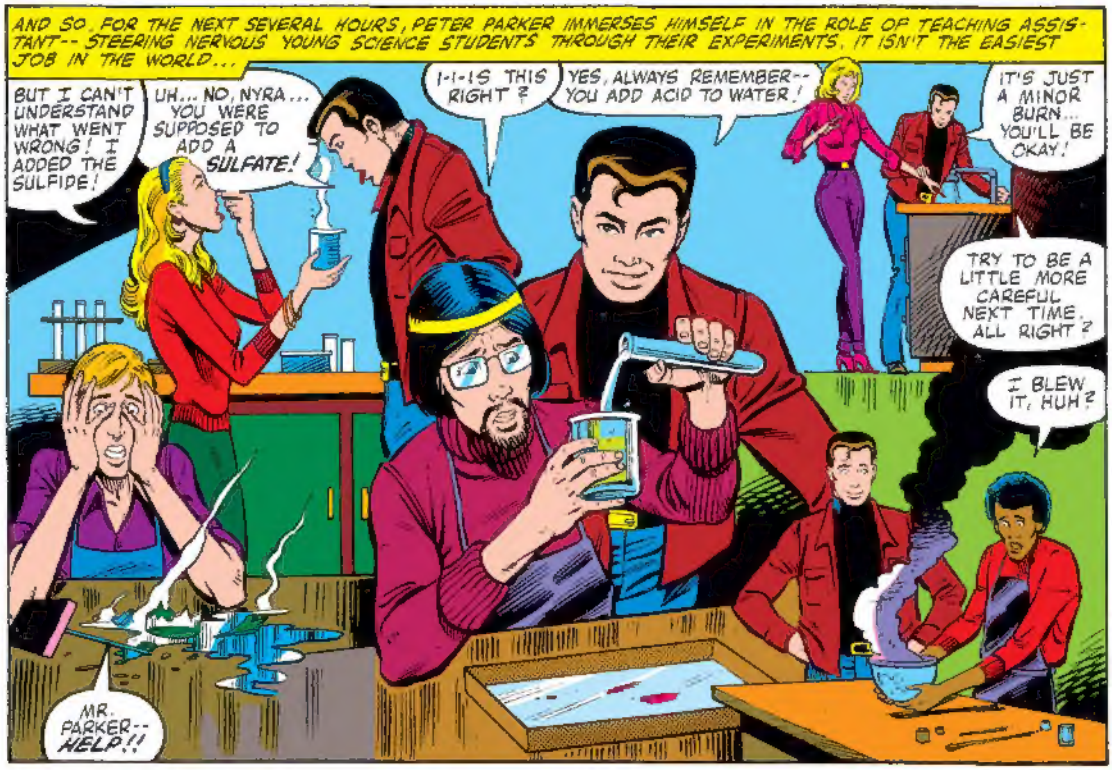
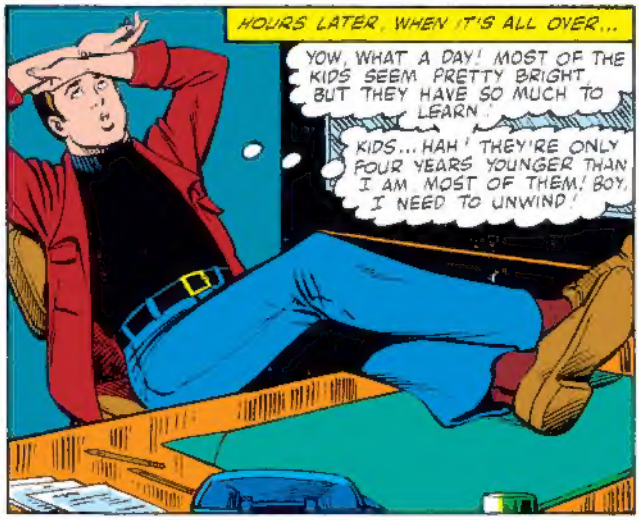
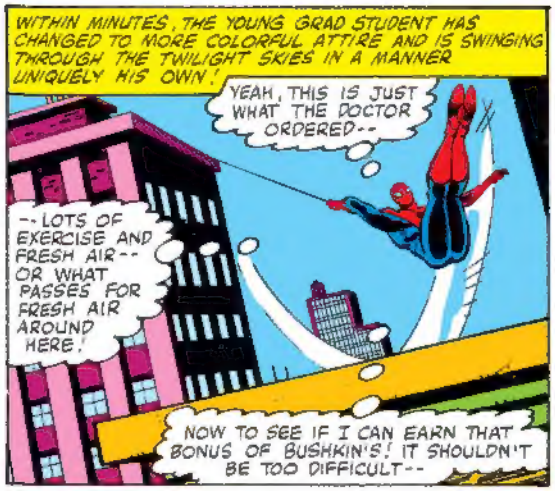
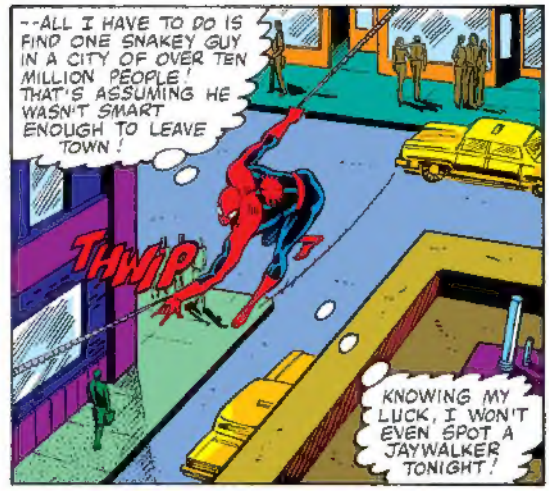
NO, I GUESS THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT JUST NEVER CHANGE!
COOL IT! HERE COMES THE T.A.!


AND SO, FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL HOURS, PETER PARKER IMMERSES HIMSELF IN THE ROLE OF TEACHING ASSISTANT-- STEERING NERVOUS YOUNG SCIENCE STUDENTS THROUGH THEIR EXPERIMENTS. IT ISN'T THE EASIEST JOB IN THE WORLD...
BUT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT WENT WRONG! I ADDED THE SULFIDE!
UH... NO, NYRA... YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO ADD A SULFATE!
I-I-IS THIS RIGHT?
YES, ALWAYS REMEMBER-- YOU ADD ACID TO WATER!
IT'S JUST A MINOR BURN... YOU'LL BE OKAY!
TRY TO BE A LITTLE MORE CAREFUL NEXT TIME, ALL RIGHT?
I BLEW IT, HUH?
MR. PARKER-- HELP!!


HOURS LATER, WHEN IT'S ALL OVER...
YOW, WHAT A DAY! MOST OF THE KIDS SEEM PRETTY BRIGHT, BUT THEY HAVE SO MUCH TO LEARN!
KIDS... HAH! THEY'RE ONLY FOUR YEARS YOUNGER THAN I AM. MOST OF THEM! BOY, I NEED TO UNWIND!

AND I KNOW JUST THE WAY TO DO IT!


WITHIN MINUTES, THE YOUNG GRAD STUDENT HAS CHANGED TO MORE COLORFUL ATTIRE AND IS SWINGING THROUGH THE TWILIGHT SKIES IN A MANNER UNIQUELY HIS OWN!
YEAH, THIS IS JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED--
--LOTS OF EXERCISE AND FRESH AIR-- OR WHAT PASSES FOR FRESH AIR AROUND HERE!
NOW TO SEE IF I CAN EARN THAT BONUS OF BUSHKIN'S! IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT--


--ALL I HAVE TO DO IS FIND ONE SNAKEY GUY IN A CITY OF OVER TEN MILLION PEOPLE! THAT'S ASSUMING HE WASN'T SMART ENOUGH TO LEAVE TOWN!
THWIP
KNOWING MY LUCK, I WON'T EVEN SPOT A JAYWALKER TONIGHT!

BUT, AS THE WEB-SWINGING WONDER HEADS UPTOWN...
MY PURSE! HELP! SOMEBODY STOP THAT MAN!
SHUDDAP, LADY! AIN'T NOBODY GONNA STOP ME!

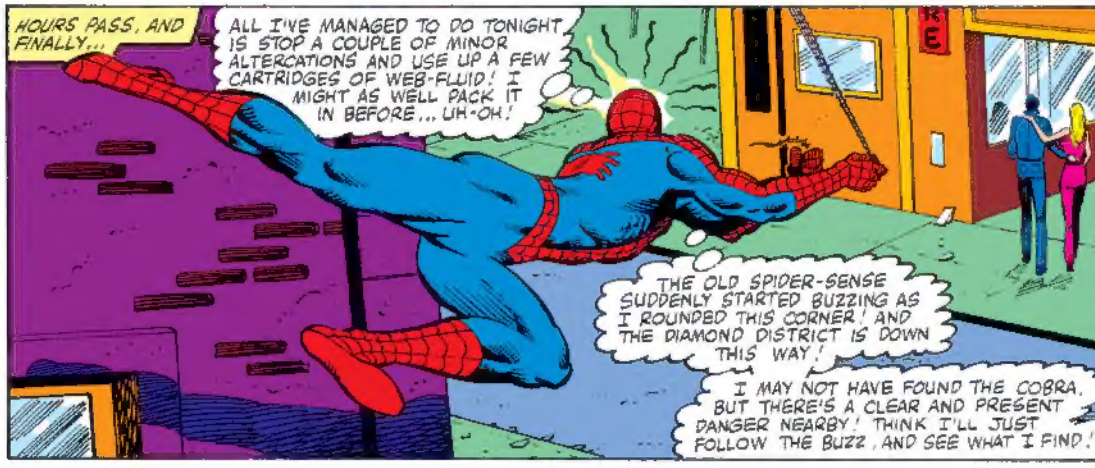
LOOKS LIKE YOU SPOKE TOO SOON, SON!
QUE?
SORRY, BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO STOP AND CHAT! TA-TA!

MINUTES WHIZ BY AS SPIDER-MAN CRISS-CROSSES THE CITY, AND THEN, JUST SOUTH OF MIDTOWN...
LOOK I TOLD YA-- BEAT IT!
AN' WE TOL' YOU, OLD MAN... THAT AIN'T THE ANSWER WE WANNA HEAR!

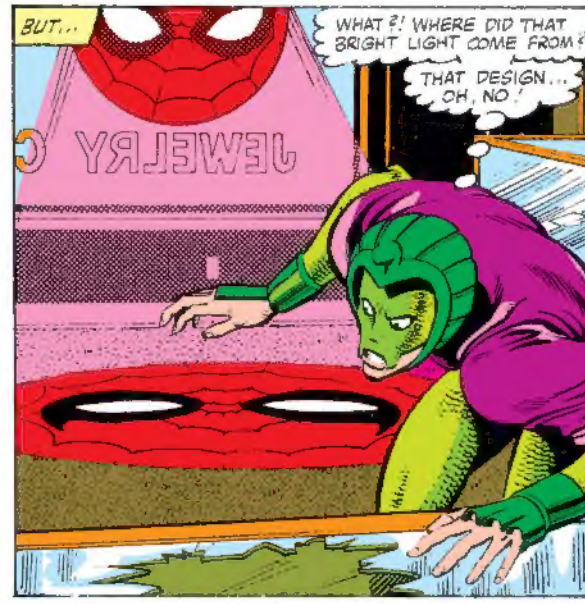
PARDON ME, FELLAS! DID YOU KNOW THAT HASSLING NEWS VENDORS COULD BE HAZARDOUS TO YOUR HEALTH?
CRIPES!

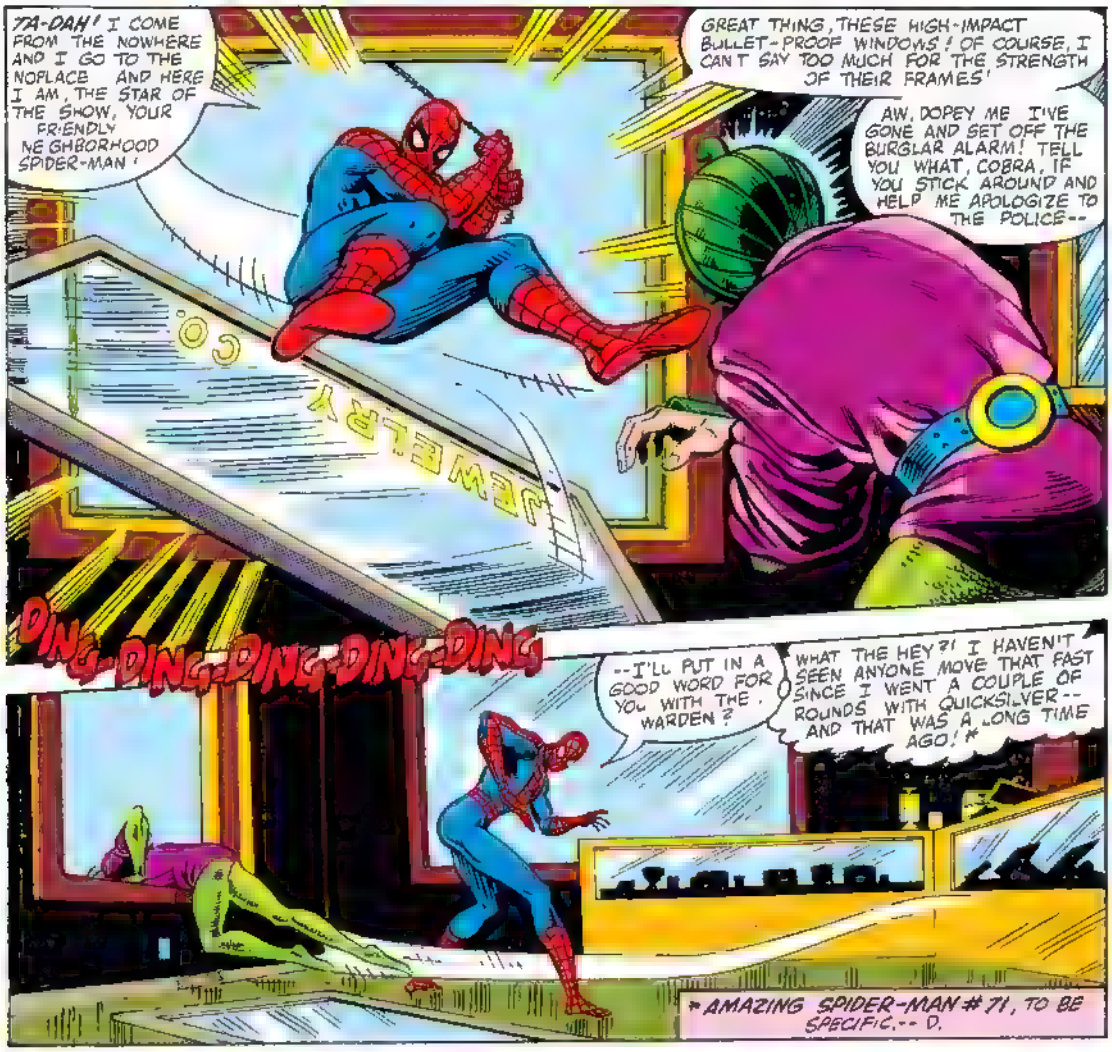
LET'S GET OUTTA HERE! I DON' WANNA MESS WITH NO SPIDER-MAN!
I DON'T THINK YOU'LL HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM AGAIN!
OH, YEAH? WHAT DO YOU WANT... A REWARD? YOU DON'T FOOL ME, YA MASKED HOOLIGAN -- YOU'RE JUST AS BAD AS THEY ARE!
HUH?

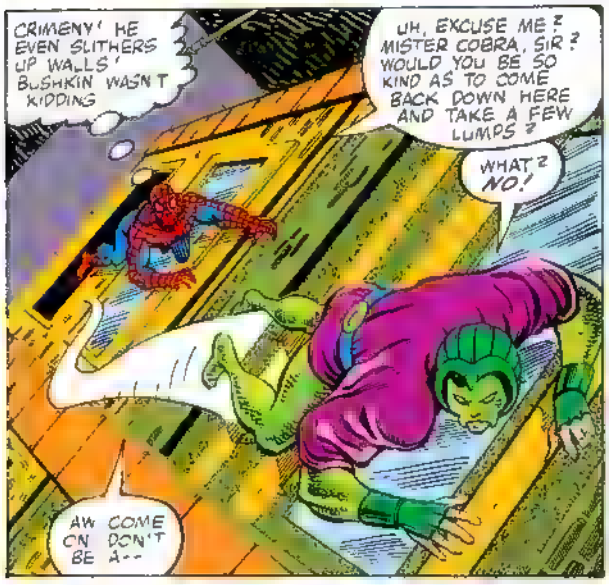
I DON'T JUST SELL THE DAILY BUGLE, YA KNOW-- I READ IT, TOO! I SEEN ME MR. JAMESON'S EDITORIALS ABOUT YOU! I KNOW WHAT KINDA CREEP YOU REALLY ARE!
YEAH, THAT'S IT, YA BUM--G'WAN, BEAT IT!
YEP, IT CERTAINLY HAS BEEN ONE OF THOSE DAYS!

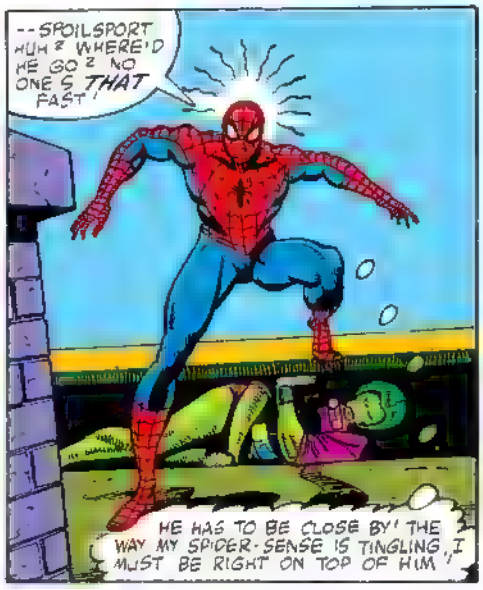

HOURS PASS, AND FINALLY...
ALL I'VE MANAGED TO DO TONIGHT IS STOP A COUPLE OF MINOR ALTERCATIONS AND USE UP A FEW CARTRIDGES OF WEB-FLUID! I MIGHT AS WELL PACK IT IN BEFORE... UH-OH!
THE OLD SPIDER-SENSE SUDDENLY STARTED BUZZING AS I ROUNDED THIS CORNER! AND THE DIAMOND DISTRICT IS DOWN THIS WAY!
I MAY NOT HAVE FOUND THE COBRA, BUT THERE'S A CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER NEARBY! THINK I'LL JUST FOLLOW THE BUZZ, AND SEE WHAT I FIND!

AND, AS FATE WOULD HAVE IT, JUST DOWN THE BLOCK, IN AN EXCLUSIVE JEWELRY STORE...
I WAS A FOOL TO EVER ALLY MYSELF WITH HYDE!
IT WAS CHILD'S PLAY TO BREAK IN HERE! THIS HAUL ALONE WILL HAVE ME LIVING COMFORTABLY FOR MONTHS--
--AND THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING!

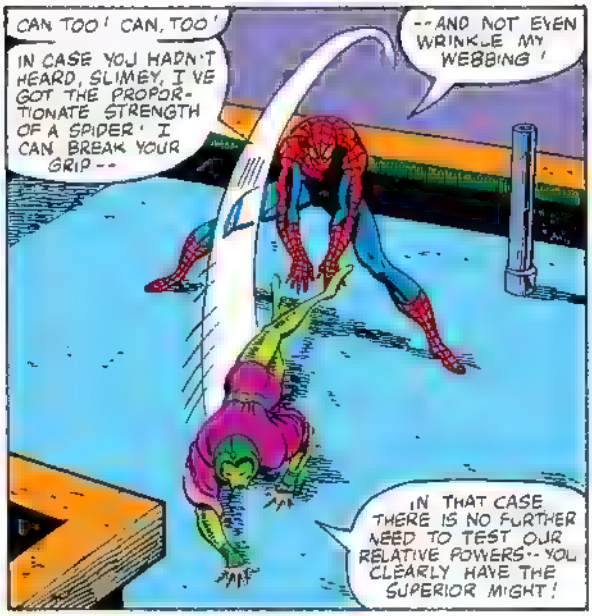

BUT...
WHAT?! WHERE DID THAT BRIGHT LIGHT COME FROM?
THAT DESIGN... OH, NO!


TA-DAH! I COME FROM THE NOWHERE AND I GO TO THE NOPLACE AND HERE I AM, THE STAR OF THE SHOW, YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDER-MAN!
GREAT THING, THESE HIGH-IMPACT BULLET-PROOF WINDOWS! OF COURSE, I CAN'T SAY TOO MUCH FOR THE STRENGTH OF THEIR FRAMES!
AW, DOPEY ME I'VE GONE AND SET OFF THE BURGLAR ALARM! TELL YOU WHAT, COBRA, IF YOU STICK AROUND AND HELP ME APOLOGIZE TO THE POLICE--
DING-DING-DING-DING-DING
--I'LL PUT IN A GOOD WORD FOR YOU WITH THE WARDEN?
WHAT THE HEY?! I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYONE MOVE THAT FAST SINCE I WENT A COUPLE OF ROUNDS WITH QUICKSILVER-- AND THAT WAS A LONG TIME AGO!*
*AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #71, TO BE SPECIFIC.-- D.


CRIMENY! HE EVEN SLITHERS UP WALLS! BUSHKIN WASN'T KIDDING
UH, EXCUSE ME? MISTER COBRA, SIR? WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO COME BACK DOWN HERE AND TAKE A FEW LUMPS?
WHAT? NO!
AW COME ON DON'T BE A--

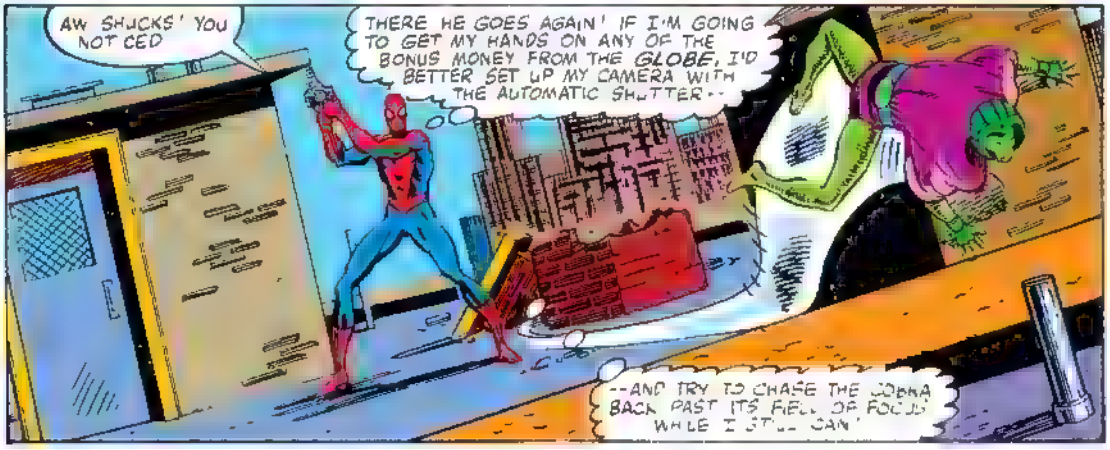

--SPOILSPORT HUH? WHERE'D HE GO? NO ONE'S THAT FAST!
HE HAS TO BE CLOSE BY! THE WAY MY SPIDER-SENSE IS TINGLING, I MUST BE RIGHT ON TOP OF HIM!

HERE I AM, FOOL! I POSSESS FAR MORE THAN JUST THE SPEED AND CUNNING OF A HUMAN SERPENT! I THINK YOU'LL FIND THAT MY STRENGTH IS FAR GREATER THAN THAT OF AN ORDINARY MAN!
YOU CANNOT SURVIVE THE CRUSHING COILS OF THE COBRA!

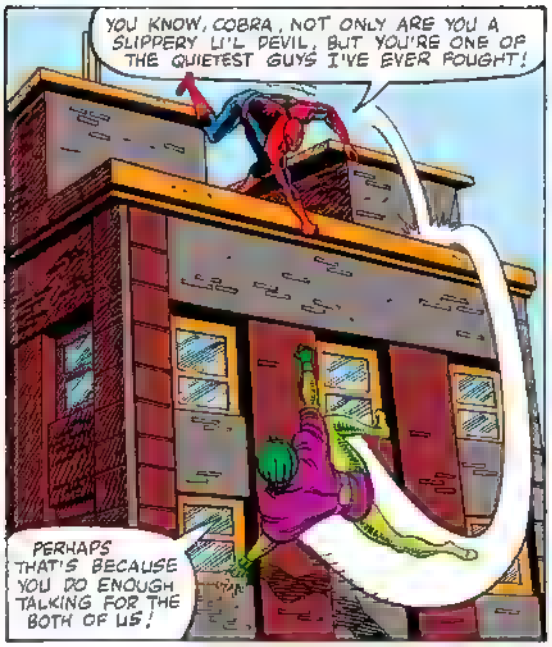

CAN TOO! CAN, TOO!
IN CASE YOU HADN'T HEARD, SLIMEY, I'VE GOT THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH OF A SPIDER! I CAN BREAK YOUR GRIP--
--AND NOT EVEN WRINKLE MY WEBBING!
IN THAT CASE THERE IS NO FURTHER NEED TO TEST OUR RELATIVE POWERS--YOU CLEARLY HAVE THE SUPERIOR MIGHT!

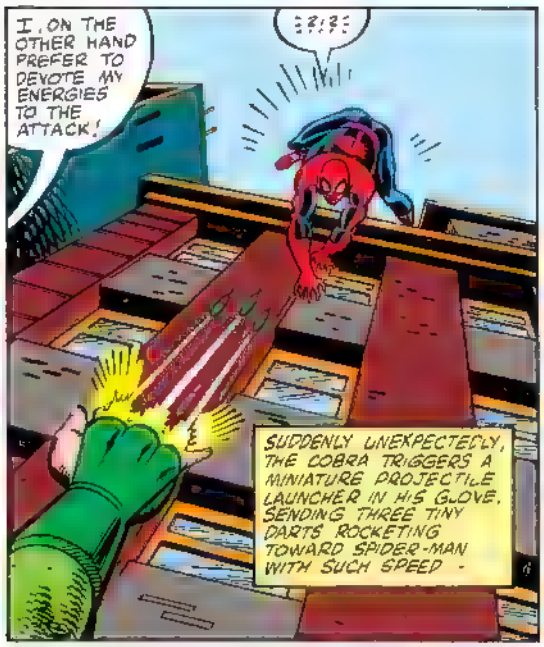
WHY, OF ALL THE COWARDLY--!
NO WONDER YOU'VE SURVIVED AT THIS GAME AS LONG AS YOU HAVE!

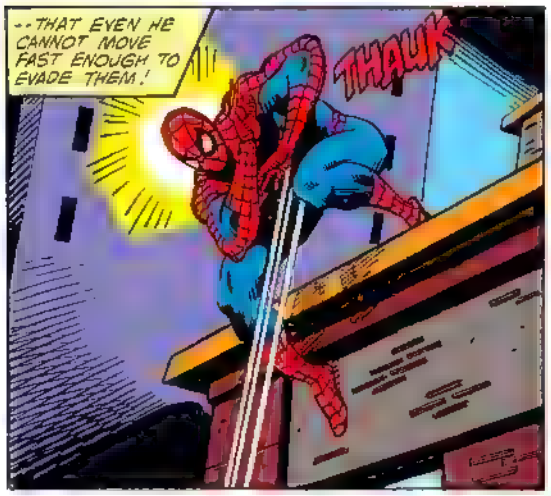
BUT YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY FROM ME THAT EASILY COME OUT, COME OUT, WHEREVER YOU ARE!
YOU.. YOU RIPPED THE CHIMNEY APART AS THOUGH IT WERE NOTHING!

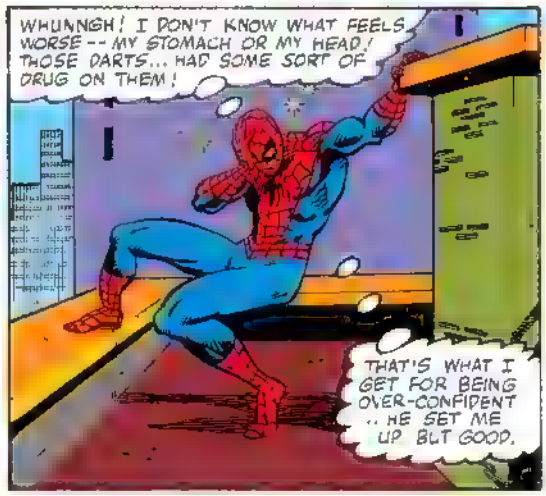

AW SHUCKS! YOU NOT CED
THERE HE GOES AGAIN! IF I'M GOING TO GET MY HANDS ON ANY OF THE BONUS MONEY FROM THE GLOBE, I'D BETTER SET UP MY CAMERA WITH THE AUTOMATIC SHUTTER--
--AND TRY TO CHASE THE COBRA BACK PAST ITS FIELD OF FOCUS WHILE I STILL CAN!

NOW WHERE DID HE GO? DON'T TELL ME I'VE LOST HIM!
UH-OH THERE GOES THAT OLD FAMILIAR SPIDER-SENSE TINGLE SOMETHING'S COMING IN FAST FROM BEHIND ME!
OH, NO! NOT GAS! NOT AGAIN!
WHUMP
YES SPIDER-MAN - GAS! MY OWN SPECIAL COBRA-GAS ITS VAPORS ARE QUITE DEADLY HA-HA I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU MOCK ME NOW
KRAK
ALL RIGHT, SNAKEY-- DON'T MIND IF I DO!
YOU PICKED THE WRONG TIME TO LOB YOUR LITTLE GAS GRENADES COBRA TWO PEOPLE HAVE USED GAS ON YOURS TRULY IN THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS *
NEED I MENTION THAT I HELD MY BREATH THIS TIME?
BUT WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA OF USING A "DEADLY" GAS AGAINST ME ANYWAY? FOLKS WILL START TO THINK YOU DON'T LIKE ME!
HEY COME BACK HERE WHEN I'M TALKING TO YOU!
*BELLADONNA IN ISSUE #43 AND MALACHAI TOOMES IN ISSUE #44. --D.

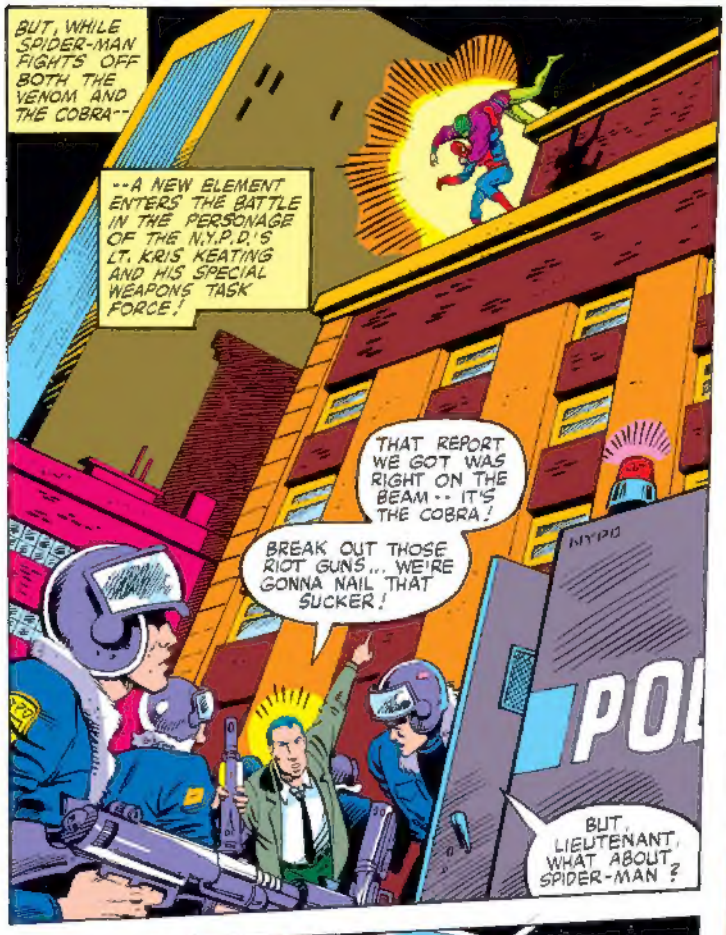

YOU KNOW, COBRA, NOT ONLY ARE YOU A SLIPPERY LI'L DEVIL, BUT YOU'RE ONE OF THE QUIETEST GUYS I'VE EVER FOUGHT!
PERHAPS THAT'S BECAUSE YOU DO ENOUGH TALKING FOR THE BOTH OF US!


I, ON THE OTHER HAND PREFER TO DEVOTE MY ENERGIES TO THE ATTACK!
?!?!
SUDDENLY UNEXPECTEDLY, THE COBRA TRIGGERS A MINIATURE PROJECTILE LAUNCHER IN HIS GLOVE, SENDING THREE TINY DARTS ROCKETING TOWARD SPIDER-MAN WITH SUCH SPEED -


--THAT EVEN HE CANNOT MOVE FAST ENOUGH TO EVADE THEM!
THAUK


WHUNNGH! I DON'T KNOW WHAT FEELS WORSE -- MY STOMACH OR MY HEAD! THOSE DARTS... HAD SOME SORT OF DRUG ON THEM!
THAT'S WHAT I GET FOR BEING OVER-CONFIDENT .. HE SET ME UP BUT GOOD.

WHAT?! YOU'RE STILL STANDING? THOSE VENOM DARTS SHOULD HAVE LEFT YOU PARALYZED FOR HOURS!
THE WAY I FEEL I WISH THEY HAD! MY SYSTEM'S FIGHTING OFF THE VENOM'S EFFECTS, BUT I'M GOING TO BE GROGGY FOR A WHILE YET.
CAN'T LET HIM KNOW THAT... I'LL HAVE TO BRAZEN IT OUT, SOMEHOW.
HEY SNAKE-EYES... YOU CAN'T KEEP A GOOD ARACHNID DOWN!


BUT, WHILE SPIDER-MAN FIGHTS OFF BOTH THE VENOM AND THE COBRA--
--A NEW ELEMENT ENTERS THE BATTLE IN THE PERSONAGE OF THE N.Y.P.D.'S LT. KRIS KEATING AND HIS SPECIAL WEAPONS TASK FORCE!
THAT REPORT WE GOT WAS RIGHT ON THE BEAM -- IT'S THE COBRA!
BREAK OUT THOSE RIOT GUNS... WE'RE GONNA NAIL THAT SUCKER!
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BUT, LIEUTENANT, WHAT ABOUT SPIDER-MAN?

BTOOM
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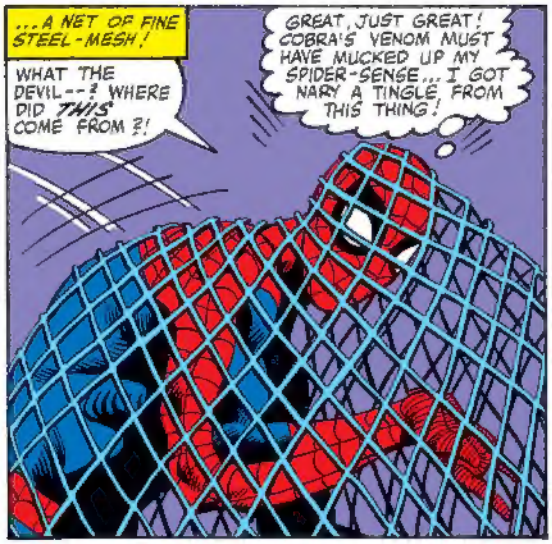
HE'LL JUST HAVE TO GET OUTTA THE WAY! DON'T WORRY, HE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF! FIRE YOUR WARNING SHOTS!

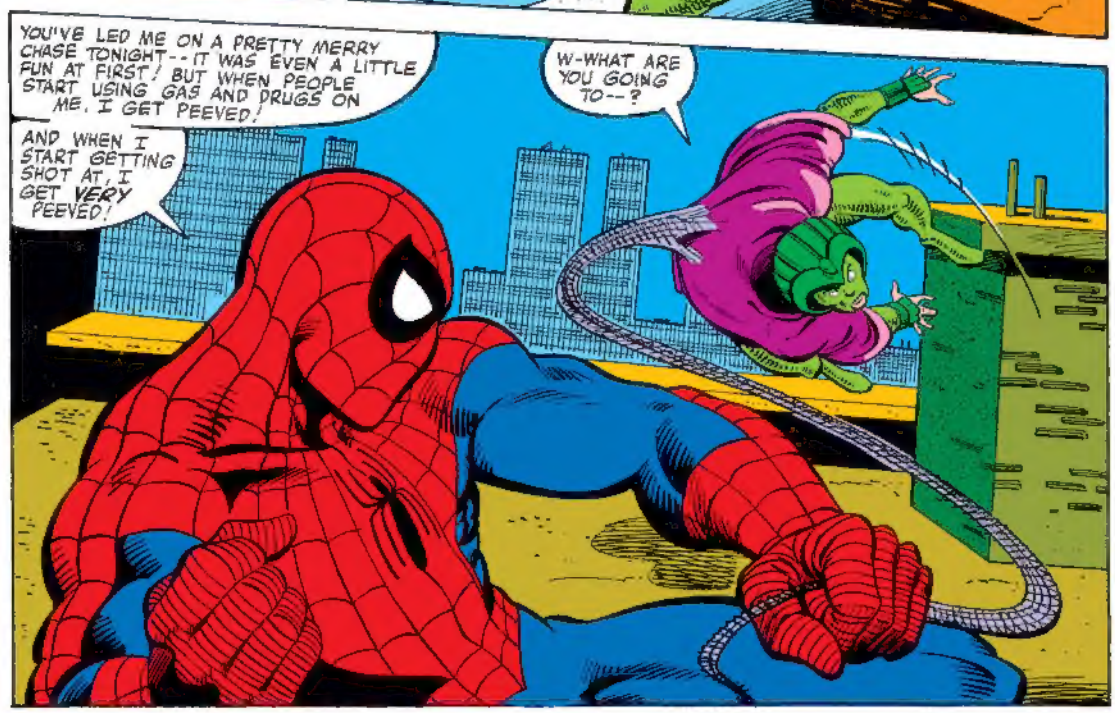
AND, AS THE WARNING BARRAGE HITS HOME...
WHAT IS THIS?! NATIONAL DUMP-ON-SPIDER-MAN DAY?! HOLD YOUR FIRE, BLAST IT-- I'LL CATCH THE COBRA FOR YOU!

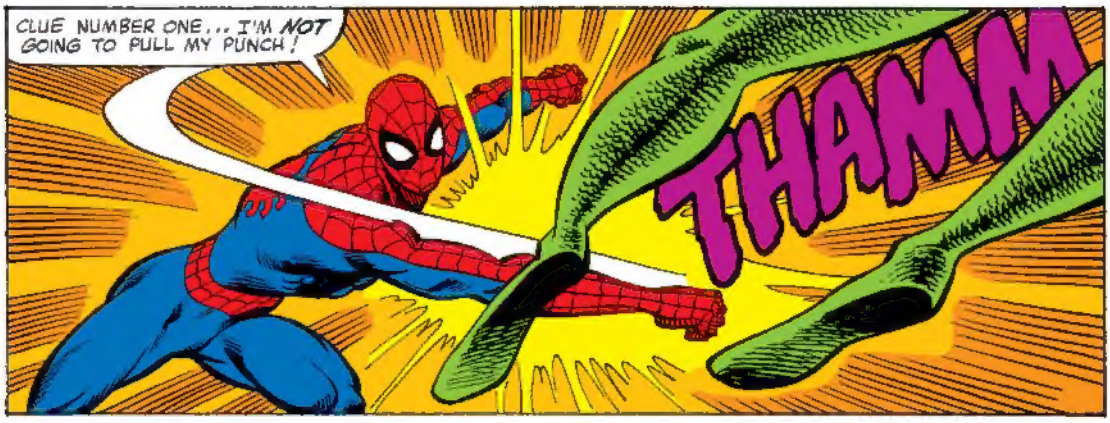
--A PROJECTILE WHICH BILLOWS OUT INTO A NET...
FLIPPING BACK OVER THE ROOFTOP, SPIDER-MAN RACES AFTER THE COBRA, UNAWARE OF THE PROJECTILE FIRED AFTER HIM--

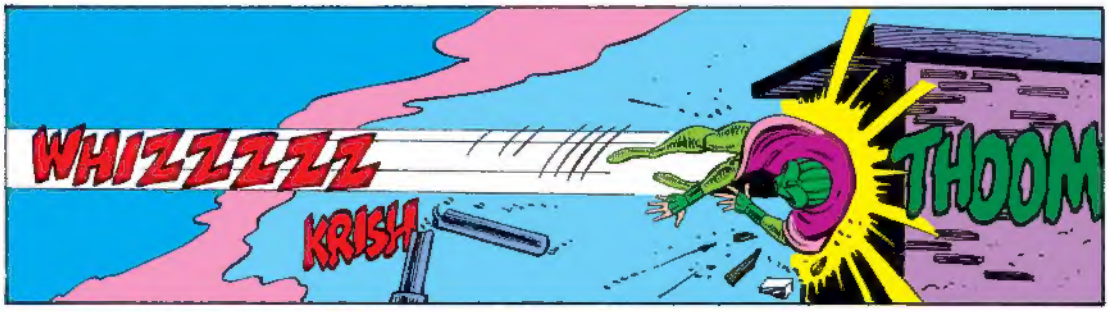

...A NET OF FINE STEEL-MESH!
WHAT THE DEVIL--? WHERE DID THIS COME FROM?!
GREAT, JUST GREAT! COBRA'S VENOM MUST HAVE MUCKED UP MY SPIDER-SENSE... I GOT NARY A TINGLE FROM THIS THING!

BUT SOMEBODY'S GONNA FEEL A LOT MORE THAN A TINGLE... REAL SOON! I'M MAD NOW!

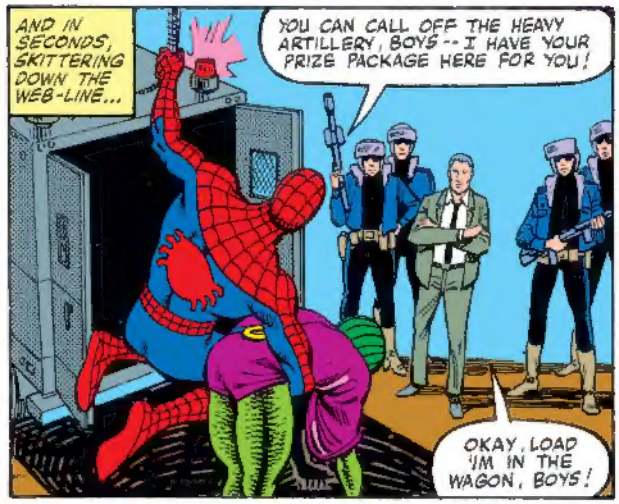
C'MERE, YOU!
IN CASE YOU HADN'T GUESSED, COBRA, YOU'VE GIVEN ME WAY TOO MUCH OF A HARD TIME THIS EVENING! THAT'S GOING TO STOP... NOW!
THWAP
UNH?


YOU'VE LED ME ON A PRETTY MERRY CHASE TONIGHT--IT WAS EVEN A LITTLE FUN AT FIRST! BUT WHEN PEOPLE START USING GAS AND DRUGS ON ME, I GET PEEVED!
AND WHEN I START GETTING SHOT AT, I GET VERY PEEVED!
W-WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO--?

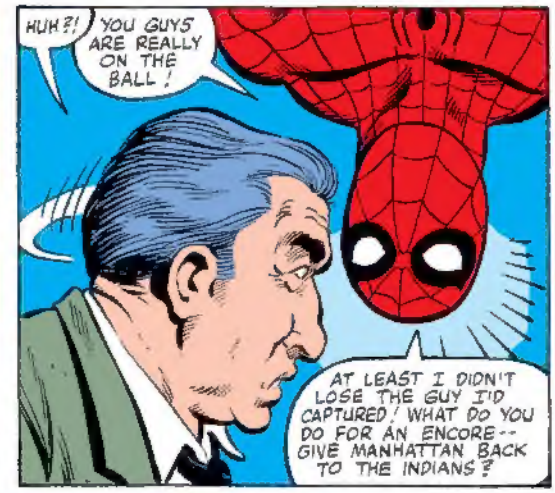

CLUE NUMBER ONE... I'M NOT GOING TO PULL MY PUNCH!
THAMM


WHIZZZZZ
KRISH
THOOM

IT'S AWFULLY QUIET UP THERE, LIEUTENANT! YOU THINK WE SHOULD SEND A TEAM UP TO THE ROOF?
WELL, I... WAIT! WHAT'S THAT?


AND IN SECONDS, SKITTERING DOWN THE WEB-LINE...
YOU CAN CALL OFF THE HEAVY ARTILLERY, BOYS -- I HAVE YOUR PRIZE PACKAGE HERE FOR YOU!
OKAY, LOAD 'IM IN THE WAGON, BOYS!

THAT'S THE COBRA, HUH? HE DOESN'T LOOK SO TOUGH TO ME!
WOULD YOU LOOK TOUGH AFTER A TUSSLE WITH SPIDER-MAN?
I SUPPOSE I OUGHTTA BE THANKING YOU FOR THE HAND...
IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A "BUT" CONNECTED TO THAT THANKS!



NEXT) A NIGHT ON THE PROWL!